MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
SANTA MARIA CITY COUNCIL

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

FEBRUARY 19, 2013

INVOCATION:
Carl Nielsen of Bethel Lutheran Church gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:
Councilmember Orach led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT
Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Zuniga, Mayor Patino.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT
City Manager Haydon, City Attorney Trujillo, Director of Community Development Appel, City Librarian Housel, Police Chief Martin, Fire Chief Orr, Director of Recreation and Parks Posada, Director of Utilities Sweet, Director of Administrative Services Visé, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Whitehead, Deputy City Manager Barnhard, Deputy City Manager Lara, Sr. Assistant City Attorney-Utilities Counsel Stockton, Planner II Albro, Business Services Manager Long, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

1. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

A. VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH.
Mayor Patino presented a gift to Jim Neuschwander, for his dedication and commitment to the City and Police Department. He thanked all of the volunteers for the Police Department.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:
Diane Lapham spoke about a telephone line for DSL services.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:
Consent Calendar Items 3A through 3F were approved on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

A. ORDINANCES.
The reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions was waived. Ordinances on the Consent Calendar were adopted by the same vote cast at the first reading unless City Council indicated otherwise.

B. MINUTES.
The Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of February 5, 2013, were approved as submitted.

C. WARRANTS.
Warrant Nos. 177795 to 178111 totaling $1,398,094.04 were ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services. Warrant Nos. 177571, 177689, 177717, and 177740 were cancelled.

D. PAYROLL.
Payment of payroll was ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Heads, as shown on records on file in the Department of Administrative Services and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services.

E. CENTENNIAL SQUARE PROJECT – 2ND READING
The City Council conducted the second reading of Ordinance No. 2013-01, General Plan Amendment and Zone Change for the Centennial Square Project, located at the southwest corner of Miller and Plaza, Assessor's Parcel No. 128-066-003, File Nos. GPZ-2012-0002, PD-2012-0003 and E-2012-0022 (6.35 acres).

Ordinance No. 2013-01 adopted. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, REZONING PROPERTY FOR THE CENTENNIAL SQUARE PROJECT, SOUTHWEST CORNER OF PLAZA DRIVE AND MILLER STREET, ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER 128-066-003, 6.35 ACRES (FILE NOS. GPZ-2012-0002)

F. BID AWARD – UNION VALLEY PARKWAY EXTENSION

The City Council adopt a resolution awarding the bid in the amount of $2,968,146.33 and approving an agreement with CalPortland Construction, for Union Valley Parkway Extension State Route 135 to Hummel Drive, Bid No. 2012/02.

Resolution No. 2013-15 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH CALPORTLAND CONSTRUCTION FOR UNION VALLEY PARKWAY EXTENSION STATE ROUTE 135 TO HUMMEL DRIVE, BID NO. 2012/02.

4. PRESENTATIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS INTERESTED IN BEING APPOINTED TO THE VACANT CITY COUNCIL SEAT AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO FILL THE VACANT UNEXPIRED TWO-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE ON THE CITY COUNCIL:

City Manager Haydon gave a presentation as detailed in the written Council Agenda Report. He explained that on December 18, 2012, and January 15, 2013, options were presented for Council action to: 1) call for a Special Election; 2) call for a Special Election and make an appointment on a temporary basis until an election can be held; 3) make an immediate appointment; or 4) take applications from individuals interested in being appointed to the City Council. The City Council ruled out the option of calling for a special election at the two previous Council meetings. They also failed to secure the necessary majority votes needed to appoint someone to the City Council. On February 5, 2013, the Council authorized staff to advertise the vacancy and receive applications from interested individuals to fill the unexpired term. Staff immediately advertised the vacancy on the City Council and accepted applications through 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 2013. Fifteen (15) applications were received by the deadline from: 1) James Bartlett; 2) Janeen Burgan-Miller; 3) Mike Cordero; 4) Clete Doyal; 5) Luis Escobar; 6) Kevin Gotchal; 7) Willie Green; 8) Henry Grennan; 9) Cole Lucas; 10) Martin Mariscal; 11) Kristine Mollenkopf; 12) Kaleb Norris; 13) Morris Taubman, Jr.; 14) Henrietta Waterfield; and one was disqualified for not meeting the voter registration requirement. Staff conferred with a number of cities who have used the application process to fill a Council vacancy. From the information garnered from the cities staff conferred with, the Council was provided an outline of the proposed process which included public comment, a random drawing for applicant presentations, transparent balloting by Councilmembers, interviews of the applicants by Councilmembers, and a nomination pool. Applicants were sequestered during the presentation process and again during the interviewing of candidates by the Council. Applicants were given five minutes to make a presentation to the City Council.

Councilmember Boysen questioned the words "may vote for up to" in the Proposed Selection Process in Items 7 and 10. He indicated that the words should be "shall vote for" and eliminate the words "may" and "up to" in the phrase. He stated that he was not comfortable with the exhaustive process, Phase V. He did not want to appoint anyone to the Council using a lottery-type system. The proposed process did not provide for impromptu questions. He indicated that he would like to be able to ask additional questions of candidates when necessary.

City Manager Haydon responded that Councilmembers are required to vote for three applicants in the first phase and two applicants in the second phase. Part of the selection process proposed will be a forced process to declare a successful candidate based of a voting process. The appointment process will need an adopted resolution, and a Councilmember could vote against the resolution if uncomfortable with the successful candidate. He suggested opening up the process for Public Comment and then bring back to Council for final decision.

Mayor Patino indicated that she was fine with the process because a decision was needed tonight.

Councilmember Zuniga indicated that she would also like to ask at least one additional question that the applicants were not prepared for.

Public Comment

Marie Comstock spoke in favor of appointing Willie Green to the City Council.

Raul Ceja spoke in support of holding a Special Election.

Walter Taylor spoke about the Appeal on the agenda as it relates to the potential Council candidate, Etta Waterfield. He indicated that in her roll as a seated Planning Commissioner, if she were to be appointed to the Council, she should not be able to vote on the Appeal because of the conflict.

City Attorney Trujillo clarified that the test is about impartiality and to be able to consider the information and make a decision without bias. If she could be objective, her service on the Planning Commission would not preclude her from participating or making a decision on the Appeal.

Agatha Shorter-Lewis spoke about the appointment process and indicated her support of appointing Willie Green to the City Council.

Council Discussion
Councilmember Orach spoke about the process and indicated that staff had done an outstanding job in preparing a process that was fair, equitable, and transparent. He stated that a decision needed to be made tonight.

Councilmember Zuniga indicated that she supported the process, but wanted to be able to ask at least one impromptu question.

Councilmember Boysen stated that he would like the language change to Items 7 and 10. He also wanted to be able to ask impromptu questions during Phase III. He indicated that he still had concerns about the exhaustive process.

Councilmember Zuniga indicated that some of the questions could be combined or eliminated and add at least one impromptu question that the candidates were not prepared for.

City Manager Haydon suggested that Questions 3 and 5 be combined since they were almost identical.

Councilmember Zuniga suggested that Question 3 be eliminated, and Question 5 be retained leaving seven total questions.

Councilmember Boysen suggested that Questions 1, 5, and 6 remain.

Mayor Patino expressed concerns with changing the rules and asking impromptu questions.

Councilmember Zuniga indicated that she did not feel the process would be changed by asking impromptu questions in addition to the questions submitted. She was not proposing to ask a random question of different applicants, but to ask the same of each candidate based on Council's decision.

Councilmember Boysen supported asking additional questions.

Councilmember Orach did not support asking additional questions because he was not prepared to bring additional questions. It had been decided at the last meeting, that each Councilmember would submit two questions for consideration.

City Manager Haydon indicated that the Council could move forward with the seven questions, and then revisit the ability to ask additional questions prior to the interview phase.

By a consensus of the Council, the proposed selection process presented by staff was approved with the amendment to the language in Items 7 and 10, have the ability to revisit the issue of asking additional impromptu questions, and to discuss the exhaustive process if necessary.

A random drawing was then conducted by the Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz to determine the order of the presentations by applicants. All applicants were then sequestered until their names were called to give their presentations.

Each of the applicants gave a five-minute presentation to the City Council.

In Phase I, the Preliminary Ballot Exercise, Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz provided a ballot to each Councilmember to vote for three applicants. After the votes were tallied and the following applicants received two or more votes each to advance to Phase II:

Mike Cordero
Willie Green
Henry Grennan
Henrietta Waterfield

In Phase II, Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz provided a ballot to the Council to vote for two applicants from the list of applicants who passed the Phase I process. The applicants receiving one or more votes were placed in a pool of candidates and advanced to Phase III. After the votes were tallied, the following candidates advanced to Phase III for Candidate Interviews:

Mike Cordero
Willie Green
Henry Grennan
Henrietta Waterfield

The Council discussed adding an additional question to the list of pre-determined questions. A question was presented by Councilmember Zuniga.

On motion by Councilmember Zuniga to add the question "What do you see is the roll of the City when considering impacts on local schools when housing developments are proposed?" as an additional question to be add to the list of interview questions, seconded by Boysen, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Zuniga, and Orach
NOES: Mayor Patino
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Patino called for a short recess at 8:53 p.m. The meeting resumed with all Councilmembers present at 8:57 p.m.

In Phase III, Candidate Interviews, candidates were sequestered until they were called for an interview by the Council. Each candidate was provided two minutes to answer the Council's pre-determined questions, and a one-minute summation. At the conclusion, candidates were placed in the nomination pool and were eligible for nomination and appointment to the City Council.

Councilmember Boysen asked for clarification of final phases.

In Phase IV, Nomination Pool, a motion was made by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Mayor Patino to appoint Etta Waterfield to fill the unexpired two-year term of office on the City Council. The motion failed to pass on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember Orach and Mayor Patino
NOES: Councilmembers Boysen and Zuniga
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

A motion was then made by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga to appoint Mike Cordero to fill the unexpired two-year term of office on the City Council. The motion failed to pass on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen and Zuniga
NOES: Councilmembers Orach and Mayor Patino
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

A motion was made by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga to appoint Willie Green to fill the unexpired two-year term of office on the City Council. The motion carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2013-16 was adopted appointing Willie Green to the City Council to fill an unexpired term of two-years on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Boysen, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Zuniga and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2013-16 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPOINTING WILLIE GREEN TO FILL AN UNEXPIRED TERM OF OFFICE ON THE CITY COUNCIL.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz administered an Oath of Office to Willie Green, and newly appointed Councilmember Green took his seat at the dais.

Mayor Patino called for a short recess at 9:56 pm. The meeting resumed with all Councilmembers present at 10:05 p.m.

5. APPEAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF A PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AND MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR STEVE ZARITSKY RECYCLING FACILITY (PD-2012-0005, E-2012-0032). Community Development Director Appel gave a presentation as detailed in the written Council Agenda Report. The City Council considered a recommendation from the Planning Commission to take the following actions to deny the appeal by Carol Anne Moore, Harold Johnson, Jerry Porter, and 117 appellants, and uphold the Planning Commission's decision to 1) adopt a resolution, authorizing the filing of a Mitigated Negative Declaration of environmental impact, E-2012-0032 for the Steve Zaritsky Recycling Facility project, PD-2012-0005; and 2) adopt a resolution denying the appeal and upholding the Planning Commission's decision approving the Planned Development Permit for the Steve Zaritsky Recycling Facility project, PD-2012-0005, E-2012-0032.

On December 19, 2012, the Planning Commission approved, on a 4-0-1 vote (Commissioner Moats abstaining), a Planned Development Permit (PD-2012-0005) for the Steve Zaritsky Recycling Facility project which includes screened outdoor storage, a modified landscape requirement, and the use of barbed wire for special safety and security needs, for the site located at 1599 West Betteravia Road. The initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration, E-2012-0032 that was prepared for the project was posted in the City of Santa Maria Public Library and sent to the State Clearinghouse for a 30-day review. Four comment letters were received during the review period which concluded on November 30, 2012. On January 2, 2013, within the proper timeframe for an appeal, the City Clerk's office received a written appeal pursuant to SMMC §12-35.211.

On January 15, 2013, the City Council continued the noticed Public Hearing to February 5, 2013, at the request of the applicant.

City Manager Haydon indicated that the Appellants had requested a continuance of the Appeal to the meeting of March 5, 2013, as a majority of the concerned members had gone home because of the late hour before the item could be heard.
Councilmember Boysen expressed concern about placement of the item at the March 5, 2013, meeting.

The Applicants indicated that they would prefer to move forward this evening as they had several experts in attendance to give a presentation who were from out of the area and came at great expense to the Applicant.

Mr. Porter addressed the Council and explained he supported continuing the item to another date because of the loss of supporters due to the late hour

Maria Poole spoke in favor of continuing the item.

Council agreed to proceed with the item.

Ex Parte Communications
Councilmember Boysen indicated that he had met with the Applicant and toured the facility. He had also spoken with the Appellants who expressed their concerns about the project relating to air quality issues from metal particulates in the air, other health concerns, and traffic congestion.

Councilmember Zuniga met with the Applicant and toured the site. She also met with the Appellants who expressed their concerns about the project.

Councilmember Orach met with the Applicant and toured the site, and met with the Appellants.

Public Hearing
Mayor Patino opened the Public Hearing.

Appellant Presentation
Appellants, Jerry Porter, Cindy Castillo, Harold Johnson, Walter Martin, and Carol Anne Moore made a presentation before the Council. Their neighborhood concerns were presented. Each expressed concerns about rezoning Area 9 for industrial use. Additional concerns mentioned related to health,

noise, odor, traffic congestion, diesel emissions, and pollution. Sound wall fencing that is proposed by the project was inadequate.

Those commenting in favor of the Appellants' position to deny the Planning Commission's decision to approve the Planned Development Permit were Ginger Johnson, Carrie Boniface, Vibiana Saavedra, Walter Taylor, Samuel Castillo, Raul Ceja, Meredith Larson, and Maria Poole. All raised concerns relating to pollution, traffic congestion, and about the Planning Commission not giving the project its due diligence.

Walter Taylor indicated that he asked for the postponement of the Appeal so that the newly appointed Councilmember Green would have an opportunity to review the letters and information associated with the Appeal.

Applicant Presentation
David Swank from Urban Planning Concepts gave an overview of the project indicating that the location was to be a Collection Center to drop off recyclables and metal, and transferred to a processing center. Currently, there are existing industrial uses on the site. The daily recyclables are transferred, so there is no accumulation of material that is indicative of traditional recycle centers. He spoke of the regulating agencies at the local and State levels. Landscaping with new fencing was being proposed. He discussed the thorough environmental review that had been completed. The areas identified and addressed in the review were noise levels, traffic, drainage, and air quality. He review the elements of appeal which traffic, concerns about negative property values resulting from the development of the project, the potential for increased theft, concerns about the air quality health risk assessment, and the prevailing winds. Empirical information that was reviewed shows that the environment impacts were less than significant. Project is consistent with the zoning ordinance, the General Plan, and the Area 9 Specific Plan. No conclusive evidence shows that the Planning Commission erred in their decision.

There were no comments in opposition of the Appellants' position to uphold the Planning Commission's decision.

Written Communications
Joan Leon and Walter Taylor submitted written communications in favor of the Appeal.

Steve Zaritsky submitted a written communication in opposition of the Appeal.

After all the comments were heard, Mayor Patino closed the Public Hearing.

Council Discussion
Councilmember Boysen asked to hear information from the health risk assessment expert about the heavy metal air borne pollutants.

Trevor Maszinsky representing SA Recycle spoke about the wind pattern, diesel-fueled engines, brake dust, and fumes from trucks and potential health risks are unsupported.

Councilmember Zuniga asked about the industrial accounts and whether or not the accounts would be local accounts or would materials be trucked in from out of the area. She asked how soon the materials got moved from the facility.

Jess Anthony representing SA Recycling indicated that the industrial accounts would all be local to Santa Maria, and that the materials would be shipped out daily.

Councilmember Zuniga commented that she understood the neighbors concerns about traffic, and about having a recycling center so close to people's homes.

Councilmember Orach commented that he did not think there will be much impact from traffic on Betteravia Road and mentioned that the project was not directly adjacent to a residential development.

Councilmember Boysen commented that it was the Council's responsibility to access the incremental increases and any environmental impacts that might be brought on by a proposed development. The materials provided and reviewed show very minimal incremental increases in the environmental impacts.

Resolution No. 2013-17 was adopted upholding the filing of a Mitigated Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact, and adopting a mitigation monitoring program, E-2012-0032, for the Steve Zaritsky Recycling Facility Project, PD-2012-0005, located at 1599 West Betteravia Road, Assessor's Parcel Number 117-320-003 on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Green

Resolution No. 2013-17 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, UPHOLDING THE FILING OF A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, E-2012-0032, FOR THE STEVE ZARITSKY RECYCLING FACILITY PROJECT, PD-2012-0005, LOCATED AT 1599 WEST BETTERAVIA ROAD, ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER 117-320-003.

Resolution No. 2013-18 was adopted denying an appeal by Carol Anne Moore, Harold Johnson, Jerry Porter, and 117 Appellants, and upholding the Planning Commission's decision to approve the planned development permit for the Steve Zaritsky Recycling Facility Project, PD-2012-0005, E-2012-0032 on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Green

Resolution No. 2013-18 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, DENYING AN APPEAL BY CAROL ANNE MOORE, HAROLD JOHNSON, JERRY PORTER, AND 117 APPELLANTS, AND UPHOLDING THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION TO APPROVE THE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR THE STEVE ZARITSKY RECYCLING FACILITY PROJECT, PD-2012-0005, E-2012-0032.

6. **2013 TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE.** Senior Assistant City Attorney-Utilities Counsel Stockton gave a presentation as detailed in the written Council Agenda Report. The City Council considered an ordinance making various technical amendments to the Santa Maria Municipal Code relating to citation authority, personnel, membership on the City's Emergency Services Council, special Police Officers, election procedures, property nuisance, prohibiting private vehicles at the transit center, stormwater regulation, wages on public projects, and regulating access to City facilities.

There was no Council discussion.

Ordinance No. 2013-02 amending various sections of the Municipal Code was introduced by title only for first reading and continued to the next meeting for second reading and adoption on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Boysen, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Green

Ordinance No. 2013-02 introduced. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE, RELATING TO CITATION AUTHORITY, MEMBERSHIP ON CITY'S EMERGENCY SERVICES COUNCIL, SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS, PERSONNEL, ELECTION PROCEDURES, PROPERTY NUISANCE, PROHIBITING PRIVATE VEHICLES AT THE TRANSIT CENTER, STORMWATER REGULATION, PUBLIC PROJECTS, AND REGULATING ACCESS TO CITY FACILITIES.

7. **FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012.** Director of Administrative Services Visé gave a presentation as detailed in the written Council Agenda Report. The City Council considered the quarterly financial report for the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2012-13 and a budget amendment report approving operational and personnel changes to the 2012-13 Budget. With 50 percent of the year complete, revenues are at 30.8 percent of projections while expenditures are at 44.9 percent of appropriations. Revenues are less than budgeted primarily because property tax revenue is not received until January and May each year. The City adopted the 2012-13 Budget using approximately $2.5 million in Local Economic Augmentation Fund (LEAF). The majority of the revenues are showing signs of leveling off and are no longer declining. Sales and Hotel/Bed taxes are the only sources showing increased revenue. However, these increases are offset by declining NHIS revenue. In the Water/Wastewater Fund, expenditures exceeded revenues by $1.5 million, primarily due in large part to the semi-annual debt service payment for the 2012AB Refunding Bonds in the first half of the year of $2.3 million. In the Solid Waste Fund revenues exceeded expenses by $102,000.

Councilmember Zuniga asked for clarification of Measure U fund subaccount.

Director of Administrative Services Visé responded that Measure U funds were placed in a separate account from the General Fund.

Resolution No. 2013-19 was adopted approving personnel and operational amendments to the budget for Fiscal Year 2013-14 and authorizing the City Manager to implement the same on motion by Councilmember Boysen seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Green, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2013-19 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2012-13 BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT SAME.

8. RESOLUTIONS APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO AND AN EXTENSION OF THE CURRENT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SANTA MARIA FIRE FIGHTERS' UNION (LOCAL 2020); WAGE AND BENEFIT PACKAGES FOR THE NON-REPRESENTED MANAGEMENT & CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES AND THE PUBLIC SAFETY MANAGERS; AND AMENDMENTS TO THE CURRENT MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SANTA MARIA POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (SMPOA) AND SANTA MARIA POLICE ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE MANAGEMENT (SMPAMM) FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2013. Deputy City Manager Lara gave a presentation as detailed in the written Council Agenda Report. Because of the impact that the "Great Recession" has had on the State of California and the local economy, the City has been in concession bargaining discussions with all employee bargaining groups dating back to the 2010 calendar year. Similar to previous fiscal years, the City entered 2012-13 with a multi-million dollar budget deficit and balanced the budget with a combination of one-time financing, cost allocation deferrals, and the elimination of one full-time position. However, since the 2012-13 budget was adopted, the City has incurred an additional $1.3 million in debt service obligation due to the dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency. Because of the City's current economic climate, City staff met with each of the bargaining groups in the fall of 2012 in an effort to garner economic concessions for calendar year 2013. During these discussions, the State and local economy and the negative fiscal impact that the recession continues to have on City finances was discussed, as well as the impact of the elimination of the Redevelopment Agency (RDA). All employee groups were informed that the City was still in a concession bargaining position with the intent of providing a slight relief in current concessions, while balancing this relief in light of escalating health insurance costs.

The contract extension and wage and benefit packages call for overall compensation concessions in the two and one-half (2.5%) to three and one-half (3.5%) percent range, including an increase in the City's contribution toward health insurance for the aforementioned groups of employees. The contracts represent a total estimated annual savings to the General Fund of approximately $240,000.

There was no Council discussion.

Resolution No. 2013-20 was adopted approving an amendments to and an extension of the current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Santa Maria Fire Fighters' Union (Local 2020) for Calendar Year 2013 on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Green, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2013-20 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO AND AN EXTENSION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SANTA MARIA FIRE FIGHTERS' UNION, LOCAL 2020.

Resolution No. 2013-21 was adopted approving a wage and benefit package for the non-represented full-time management & confidential employees for Calendar Year 2013 on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Green, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2013-21 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A WAGE AND BENEFIT PACKAGE FOR THE NON-REPRESENTED FULL-TIME MANAGEMENT & CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES.

Resolution- No. 2013-22 was adopted approving a Wage and Benefit Package for the Public Safety Managers for Calendar Year 2013 on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Green, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2013-22 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A WAGE AND BENEFIT PACKAGE FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY MANAGERS.

Resolution No. 2013-23 was adopted amending the Memoranda of Understanding with the Santa Maria Police Officers Association (SMPOA) and the Santa Maria Police Association of Middle Management (SMPAMM) for Calendar Year 2013 on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Green, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2013-23 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO AMENDMENTS TO THE CURRENT MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SANTA MARIA POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION (SMPOA) AND SANTA MARIA POLICE ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE MANAGEMENT (SMPAMM).

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
City Manager Haydon reported on items anticipated for the March 5, 2013 City Council Meeting, including Consent Agenda items regarding a FPPC Ticket Policy, the second reading and adoption of the Technical Amendments, the Proposition 1B Transit Center Capital projects, a license agreement with GTE Mobilenet dba Verizon Wireless; and Regular Business items regarding the appointment of the Mayor Pro Tem, Board appointments to the Measure U2012 Citizens' Oversight Board, Block Grant Advisory Committee, and the Recreation and Parks Commission. He indicated that there will be no Closed Session tonight.

ORAL REPORTS BY COUNCILMEMBERS REGARDING AB1234.
Councilmember Boysen reported that he attended the C3H meeting regarding the county wide homeless initiative group.

Councilmember Orach reported that he attended LAFCO in Santa Barbara.

Councilmember Zuniga reported that she also attended the C3H meeting.

Mayor Patino reported that she attended SBCAG in Buellton.

CLOSED SESSION:
There was no Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to come before the City Council at this time, Mayor Patino declared the meeting of the City Council adjourned in memory of Harry Goodchild at 12:04 a.m.

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APPROVED

February 19, 2013
Date

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk of the City of Santa Maria and ex officio Clerk of the City Council

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria

ATTEST

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk